Coming From? Thurber Asks-Array

of Speakers to Move Odell to a Veto.

A mass meeting presided over by Charles Sprague Smith of the People's Institute was held in Cooper Union last night to protest against certain railroad bills now before the Legislature. James S. Lehmaier, chairman of the Transit Reform Committee of One Hundred; Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, ex-Minister to Spain; John C. Coleman, ex-Assistant Deputy Attorney-General; Julius H. Cohen, chairman of the Citizens' Union mmittee on legislation and ballot reform; J. Aspinwall Hodge and ex-Comptroller

Bird S. Coler were the speakers:
Mr. Lehmaier took up the Bedell-Wilcox
bills dealing with the franchises and obligations of railroad corporations which have been favorably reported by the Committee on Railroads of the Assembly and explained his view of their provisions in detail. They had been introduced into the Legislature, he said, at the request of the New York (Metropolitan) Street Railway Company. They endangered the transfer rights of the people in one case and in the other cases either validated defective charters and continued charters where statutory requirements had not been complied with or gave the corporations new and far-reaching privileges without compensation to the city.

"The atmosphere at Albany," said Mr. Lehmaier, "shows conclusively that there is very much danger that these bills will pass unless the people speak in unmistakable terms. I believe that Gov. Odell as the future chairman of the Republican State committee is inclined to listen to the demands of the people of New York city but his impulses need stimulating."

The speaker was interrupted from the audience by F. B. Thurber, who asked if Mr. Iehmaier thought the public appreciated all the corporations had done for their comfort and convenience. He was drowned out by hisses for a moment, but continued: "Do we appreciate that the so-called

'grab' bills are simply privileges to extend these conveniences, of course, with ultimate profit to the capital invested, but with dividends to the public in comfort? If every franchise, no matter how reasonable, is denounced as a 'grab' bill, will the capital necessary for the improvement and extension of our traction and other public service utilities be forthcoming?"

Mr. Lehmaler replied that he was far from desiring to despoil the railroad corporations of their just rights, but that when they undertake to wrest from the people rights which they are entitled to only after paying the proper price he did not think they could claim much sympathy. He admitted the improvements in traction, but said they had been made only when they increased the profits. Gen. Woodford introduced himself as a

lawyer, and a corporation lawyer at that The corporation is an absolute necessity, he said, but unless the men who have charge of corporate interests learn the great power they wield and the jealous disposition of the people, they will be made to suffer to the ultimate detriment of the people themselves.

selves.
"There is danger that the people in dealing with this subject will forget the law and yield to the mad impulse of physical vic-lence to redress their wrongs," said Mr. Woodford. He went on to discuss the pro-visions of the bills, which he said violated the Clarter, which gave to the city authority ever franchises of that nature.

"As a Republican," he said, "I recognize

that my party is in control of the Legislature, and that if it passes these bills and a Republican Governor signs them the people of this city will hold the Republican party responsible."

Cohen told about the Niagara power bills and Mr. Coles about the water bills now at Albany. Resolutions were adopted condemning all of the measures discussed.

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MEASURES.

A pamphlet was issued yesterday on behalf of the street railway companies defending the five bills against which the agitation has been strongest. The bills to authorize cities of the first class to enter The bills to contracts with street railroads for the and car license fees; to permit the removal of unused tracks and the relocation of rears of percentages on gross earnings from 5 per cent. a month to 10 per cent. a year, the pamphlet says, have all beer amended so as to be satisfactory to the city authorities.
As to the bill relating to transfers, the

It must be recognized by any fair minded man familiar with traffic conditions in New York that some public authority should have the power to relieve a company from the obligation of giving free transfers at points like Twenty-third street and Broadway and Twenty-third street and Sixth avenue, where the congestion of traffic is so serious and accidents so numerous that it is clearly to the public interest that every effort should be made not only to prevent any increase of traffic, but if possible to direct traffic to other points. The other amendments embodied in the bill are intended to substitute, in place of the present penalty of \$50 in favor of the "aggrieved party," a penalty in favor of the people of the State, which may be either \$100 for every person who is refused a transfer, or \$100 for every day during which transfers are refused.

are refused.

These amendments do not in any way change
the obligation of street railroad companies
fespecting transfers. The change only
affects the penalty.

The difficulty with the present scheme of

The difficulty with the present scheme of penalties is that the door is opened wide to blackmail. A single lawyer has suits for penalties on behalf of himself, his wife and his servant, aggregating about \$20,000. The evil is increasing every week, so that now suits are brought based upon a charge that transfers have been refused at points where the company is honestly endeavoring to grant transfers. A dishonest conductor who "stands in" with a professional penalty hunter, can in a few days subject the company to claims for penalties amounting to many thousands of dollars.

Of the bill to save the corporate exist ence of certain classes of street railroad companies which have actually constructed companies which have accurant constructed their lines, the pamphlet says that it is desirable that it be passed because in the case of many railroad companies whose lines were constructed years ago it is difficult to determine whether construction was begun or completed within the time necessary to prevent the forfeiture of their charters and this uncertainty often seriously. charters and this uncertainty often seriously injures street railway securities without any corresponding benefit to the public.

The bill removes that uncertainty but bill removes that uncertainty, but

the relief it grants applies only to cor-porations which have constructed their lines and saves only their corporate exist-ence. It does not extend franchises which have expired or revive dead enterprises expired or revive dead enterprise the public interest is in no wis

SOLDIERS ON FLOOD DUTY.

found early this morning that men in boats were going among the houses in the submerged district, and that an organized system of robbery was in progress.

The police force, which had been on duty

waterworks in part, but the pressure is still low and the city is not out of serious danger if a fips should occur in the business district.

BLOW TO A BIG STEEL PLANT. Anti-flust, Injunction May Cause Jones & Laughim to Move.

PINTURURG, March 28.— The State-Su-preme Court, sitting in Philadelphia, has enjoine ti the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company from showering ore dust on Pittsburg and it may cause the big plants to be removed from this city.

The cor ppany has \$5,000,000 invested in blast furn; voes, all of which are within the city limite Since the introduction of Mesaba ore in blast furnace practice tons of ore dust are showered over parts of Pittsburg with the wind. This has ruined a residence re wion, where real estate owners have been all most giving property away. There are o ely three ways to avoid the misance, the company may briquette the Mesaba ore bei ore it is smelted, may use a poorer class of 'ore or may move.

NEGRO SAVE D FROM LYNCHING. Mississippi Depu ty Sheriff Stands Off a Mob Al. \ by Himself.

JACKSON, Miss., March 28.-Julius Pace, negro, has been pla ced in jail here for safe keeping by the She wiff of Marion county. He assaulted the se ven-year-old daughter of a farmer named Dale, near Columbia, and was rescued fro m a mob by Deputy Sheriff Magee single h unded.

TO STOP PAYMENT FOR CANAL. Illinois Man Files Petition for an Injunction Against Secretary Shaw.

WASHINGTON, March 28th-Warren B. Wilson of Hinsdale, Ill., to day filed in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia a petition directed against the Secretary of the Treasury for an injunction to restrain the payment of Government funds for the Panama Canal or its construction. Specifiranama Canal or its construction. Specifically, he asks the court to prevent the payment of \$10,000,000 to the republic of Panama, or the \$40,000,000 to the French New Panama Canal Company, or to disburse any funds in digging the canal or the prescriptions.

preliminary work.

Mr. Wilson files the petition on his own behalf and in the interest of others. He bases his action on Section 9 of Article III. of the Federal Constitution, which provides that no money shall be drawn from the

that no money shall be drawn from the Treasury except in consequence of appropriations made by law.

Any payments to Panania, particularly made under the Spooner act, he contends, would be in violation of that section, and the payments to the French company for the construction would be equally at variance therewith, because the terms and conditions of that act, which relate to Colombia, have not been complied with.

The petition was taken under advise-The petition was taken under advise-

After an Investigation.

WASHINGTON, March 28.-Baron Moncheur, the Belgian Minister, was assured by Secretary Hay, when he made inquiries today in regard to the complaints of church missionary societies to the State Department that horrible cruelties were being perpetrated on natives by the Belgian officials of the Congo Free State, that he would take no action until a thorough

investigation had been made.

The Department has heard that Congonatives who have suffered maining at the hands of hostile tribes have represented to missionaries that their injuries were in-flicted by Belgian officials.

It has not been determined by the De-partment whether it will bring the com-plaints of missionaries to the attention of the Belgian Government, as the United

the Belgian Government, as the United States was not a party to the Congo Free State convention. The Government is more immediately concerned in the allegations that American missionaries are for-bidden to have any dealings with the natives.

VESSEL OWNERS ALARMED. Petition State Department to Ask Canada

to Suspend Order Against Our Ships. Washington, March 28.-The Northern Commercial Company of San Francisco. Seattle and Alaska to-day petitioned the State Department to request the Canadian Government to suspend an order in council forbidding foreign vessels from plying directly between Canadian ports. The order in council was promulgated in 1903, but was waived for a year. It is about to become effective. Its application means serious embarrassment and loss to American vessels on the Great Lakes and on the Pacific Coast of the British Northwest.

ROBBED OF \$4,200. West Virginian's Loss in Washington While on His Wedding Trip.

WASHINGTON, March 28.-William Payne of Whitman, W. Va., reported to police headquarters to-day that he had been robbed of 4,200 while in Washington last week on his wedding trip. He did not discover his loss until he reached Ryland, Va., yesterday, where he was to pay the money, which day, where he was to pay the money, which represented the savings of years. While here on their honeymoon he and his wife stopped at an apartment house and Payne believes his pocket was picked, either in the house or somewhere else in the city

KILLED BY TORNADO. Severe Storms in Arkansas and Missouri Cause a Loss of Life.

CONWAY, Ark., March 28 .- News reached here this afternoon of a tornado which swept over the northern part of Faulkner county, twenty miles from here, last night. Solgohachia, Springfield and Martinville. small towns in Conway and Faulkner counties, were badly damaged. Two persons were killed, seven seriously hurt and

two others will die.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 28.—It is now known that in the tornado which swept Pemiscot county, Mo., on Saturday night, six persons lost their lives. Four members of the Shuemaker family, living at Portserville Mo. were killed and their home were ageville, Mo., were killed and their home was demolished. Wesley Miller and his wife were likewise killed and their home was blown away. Their bodies were found 200 yards away from the house and \$1,500 in notes were scattered. Timber was blown down for

CENTRAL'S TRACKS ICE COVERED. The Molfawk Division Will Be Out of Bustness for Several Days.

UTICA, March 28.-The Mohawk division of the Central-Hudson Railroad has been out of commission for the past forty-eight hours, and it will be some time before traffic is resumed. The trouble lies between St. Johnsville and Fort Plain, where last Saturday afternoon the tracks were covered with water to a depth of three or four feet. Thousands of tons of ice which came down the Mohawk were thrown upon the tracks, and when the water receded yesterday the tracks for a long distance were covered with big cakes of ice, driftwood, &c. Snow-ploughs were used to-day to clear off the ice, which averaged 40 inches in thickness.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 28.—Although the water in White River is subsiding, it was considered to the inches in the construction of the ice, which averaged 40 inches in thickness.

Before it will be possible to run trains over the affected section of road it will be necessary to reballast the roadbed. This will require several days. Wires are down all over the division.

all over the division.

WASHINGTON, March 28.-Secretary Taft was the guest of honor at a dinner to-night, continuously since Saturday morning, was completely worn out and was unable to compete with the robbers, and two companies of militia were ordered to protect the property in the overflowed district. Four hundred families are homeless.

The falling of the river here relieves the protection lecture on Colorado at the New Willard to-night, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert McClurg giving the lecture and showing the protection of the river here relieves the rel anies of militia were ordered to protect of militia were ordered to protect our hundred families are homeless.

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SUICIDE FOLLOWS SUICIDE. Employer and Man Who Caused His Do

mestic Trouble Kill Themselves. BUTTE, Mon., March 28 .- Burton Warren, son of State Senator D. M. Warren killed himself on his ranch in Jeffersor county this morning on account of domestic trouble. His wife had left him and had begun divorce proceedings.

Carl Schoedel, a cowboy at the ranch the alleged cause of the trouble between Warren and his wife, shot and killed himself as soon as he was informed that Warren had committed suicide.

C. M. SCHWAB TAXED ON \$5,000. Doesn't Live Here-Russell Sage Wants \$2,000,000 Cut Down to \$500,000.

Charles M. Schwab called yesterday at the Tax Department to swear off as a nonresident an assessment of \$100,000 on per-He said that as he spent consonalty. siderable time in this city he was willing to pay taxes on an assessment of \$5,000 As the commissioners, in view of the affidavit made by Mr. Schwab, could not hold him for a penny of taxation, his offer was

Andrew Carnegie will again be the largest Andrew Carnegle will again be the largest taxpayer on personal property in this city. He has been assessed this year on \$5,000,000, and as he sailed for Scotland over a week ago without making objection to the assessment he will pay on the whole amount. Russell Sage, who has been assessed on \$2,000,000, has applied to have the amount cut down to \$500,000. He says in a letter to the board that he is unable to attend the officer of the commission personally, and to the board that he is unable to attend the offices of the commission personally, and has asked that his lawyer be allowed to swear off for him. Mr. Sage has been informed that the only way this can be done is to send an affidavit stating that he is physically incapable of coming in person. Last year Mr. Sage wanted his assessment cut down to 1500 000 but he did not be to 1500 000 but he did not be to 1500 000 but he did not be the did cut down to \$500,000, but he did not apply until after the books had been closed. Next Thursday is the last day for swearing off.

SUSPECTED OF O'KEEFE MURDER. John Stiltz, Who Accused Another and Fled, Is Under Arrest.

PORT JERVIS, March 28 .- John Stiltz. former employee of the Hawley glass factory, is in jail at Honesdale, Pa., suspected of the murder of Mrs. Mary O'Keefe in her store in Hawley, Pa., on the afternoon of March 4. Stiltz disappeared shortly after the murder and was later seen in Lackawaxen, where he told Detective Kelley of the crime and gave the name of Martin Knee as the suspect. Knee was arrested and afterward released for lack

of evidence.
Stiltz came to Port Jervis, patronized several saloons and then went in the mountains of Pike county and hired out to Mat-The petition was taken under advisement.

CRUELTIES IN CONGO STATE.

Secretary Hay Says He Will NoteAct Until knowledge of the crime.

> FIRE ON THE STAGE. It Was a Mighty Small Blaze and Was Promptly Hidden and Put Out.

There was a fire on the stage of Hurtig & Seamon's Music Hall, in West 125th street, at the performance yesterday afternoon, and the audience did not know anything about it, because the curtain was rung down so quickly that they thought it was in the act.

The fire was caused by an alcohol lamp upsetting on the table and setting the cover afire in the trial performance of a magician whose name was not on the programme.

When he saw what had happened he joked the matter off, and the stage manager. Joseph Gansell, rang the curtain down promptly and put the blaze out with an extinguisher. There was very little smoke extinguisher. There was very little smoke and the whole thing was over in a minute. Although the theatre people said later that there hadn't been any fire in the house, Policeman McCormack reported the occurrence at the West 125th street police station.

E. M. FIELD IN HOSPITAL.

Alienists Concerned Over Their Patient, the Son of the Cable Promoter.

The doctors in the psychopathic ward at Bellevue Hospital, to which Edward M. Field, the son of Cyrus W. Field of Atlantic cable fame, was taken at the request of his son, Dr. Cyrus W. Field, on Sunday, are preparing to make a careful examination of his case. They will probably keep him in the pavilion several days more than are usually given to patients there. want to take no chance of a mistake in his

Edward M. Field, who failed as a banker several years ago, was later in a Buffalo asylum. He got out of that, but was ar-rested soon after for intoxication, and again in 1900 as a yagrant. He visited a friend in Gramercy Park on Sunday evening and acted so queerly that his son was summoned. Dr. Field spent part of yesterday with his father-at the hospital.

KILLED BY REJECTED LOVER. Girl Murdered Because She Preferred Another Man in Marriage.

PITTSBURG, March 28.-Thomas Sullivan aged 25, of Homestead, shot and killed Cecilia Farrell, aged 21, at 67 Fulton street this evening. He then fired two bullets into his head and will die.

Cecilia was to have been married to Amon W. Murir, a printer of Pride street, within two weeks. Sullivan had only known the girl about two months. He tried to dis-suade her from marrying his rival. He talked to her at her brother's home a long time this afternoon and she refused him. He chased her into her room and shot her through the throat. When Michael Farrell, the girl's brother,

arrived soon after the shooting the girl was dead and Sullivan was unconscious. The latter is at Passavant Hospital. Twice Sullivan had threatened her life.

RETIRED BUILDER A SUICIDE. Johannssen Was Despondent Because He

Could Not Raise Money on His Property. Eric O. Johannssen, 70 years old, a retired builder, committed suicide yesterday morning by shooting himself in the head with a .38-calibre revolver while seated in a chair in front of a mirror in the parlor of his home at 2203 Beverley Road, Flatbush He was in comfortable circumstances when he retired from the building and real estate business eight years ago, but recently

became financially involved. His property was all tied up in mortgages and his failure to raise money last week is believed to ave driven him to the act. Clara Amelia, 40 years old, who had been his housekeeper since the death of his wife four years ago, says he was greatly istressed over his financial troubles

KILLED HIS WIFE AND HIMSELF. White House Clerk Despondent Over His and Her Ill Health.

WASHINGTON, March 28 .- Charles G. Forster, a \$1,600 clerk at the White House, shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide this morning at his home in Kensington, Md., a few miles from Washington. Despondency due to ill health, both of himself and wife, is believed to have been the cause of the tragedy.

Forster was a brother of Rudolph Forster, assistant secretary to the President, and employed at the White House

for several years. Standard Oll Tank Blows Up.

BAYONNE, N. J., March 28 .- With a concussion that shook houses and rattled windows two miles away, an enormous tank in the yards of the Standard Oil Company at Constable Hook, N. J., containing 268,000 gallons of distillate, exploded yester-day afternoon. The fire burned for four hours. The damage was about \$6,000. Spontaneous combustion is supposed to have caused the explosion.

BUILDING TIE-UP THREATENED

WHEN YOU'RE READY, MATERIAL MEN SAY TO EMPLOYERS.

They Can Throw Thousands Out of Work by Cutting Off Supplies and Announce That They Will if the Bricklayers Don't Come to Terms Situation Serious

The building trade of Manhattan and The Bronx is threatened with another general shutdown, which may take place any day as a result of the strike of the bricklayers. How it will be brought about was settled last night at a conference between a committee of eight members of the Building Material Dealers' Association of New York the emergency committee appointed of the Building Employers' Association and a committee of the Mason Builders' Associa-

The committee of building material dealers was appointed, with power to act, at a special meeting of their association which was called after the Building Employers' Association had informed the dealers of the present condition of affairs. Last year the building material men struck the first blow in the fight against the domination of building by the unions in the unskilled trades. After the conference last night their committee retired to a separate room and later made the following report:

room and later made the following report:

Your committee appreciates that the bricklayers have gone on strike in violation of the
arbitration plan of the Building Trades Employers' Association as well as that of the
Mason Builders' Association. As this fact is
working serious injury to our business, and
as it is only a matter of time when our yards
would in consequence be forced to close entirely, our business being continued at a serious loss, we have decided, when called upon
to do so by the Building Trades Employers'
Association, that we will cease the delivery
of building material until such union or
numions, parties to the arbitration plan and
now in violation of it, return to work and
conform to said plan.

Conies of this report were sent to the

Copies of this report were sent to the various members of the Building Material Dealers' Association.

The industrial improvement committee

of the Building Employers' Association has meanwhile been perfecting an alliance with outside associations of employers. This committee announced yesterday that it has now arranged for cooperation when necessary between the Mason Builders' and Employers' Associations and the Interand Employers Associations and the Inter-state Building Association, taking in several nearby states, the New York State Building Association, the Building League of The Bronx and the Building Trades Association

of Connecticut.

Though the Building Material Dealers Though the Building Material Dealers' Association is not in the Building Employers' Association, it has always cooperated with the latter. It is not bound in any way by the arbitration agreement and can shut down its yards at any time. In case of a shutdown lasting long enough to call for the cooperation of the outside building trades it would be possible to involve 200 000.

for the cooperation of the outside building trades it would be possible to involve 200,000 workers in the struggle. The Employers' association, however, believes that this will never be necessary.

It was stated at the association's headquarters last night that the plasterers and plasterers' laborers at George Vanderbilt's new residence in Fifth avenue, between Fifty-first and Fifty-second street, had refused to strike in sympathy with the bricklayers yesterday morning. This bricklayers yesterday morning. This statement was made on behalf of the em

ployers' emergency committee: "We have decided that prompt and drastic action without loss of time is necessary to end the present trouble, but it is not proposed to punish unions such as the Plaster-ers', Steamfitters' and others which have not violated the arbitration agreement. Ma-terial will be furnished to them when necessary, but the bricklayers have struck with-out reason in open violation of the arbitration agreement and we are not going to sit back and see the deadlock lost indefinitely.

definitely."

The Brooklyn bricklayers who had to stop work in Manhattan while the strike lasts are angry. They say that they were working with Brooklyn laborers who received higher wages than the union rates in Manhattan, while Manhattan bricklayers have been working in Brooklyn with non-

unions has not indorsed it and it is an unorganized strike at the best.

NO LITHOGRAPHIC PEACE. Men and Employers Both Decide to Fight

Out Their Dispute Over Arbitration. It was found impossible yesterday by he men who are trying to settle the litho graphers' strike to bring about a conference between both sides, which it was sought to effect yesterday afternoon. Each side stands by the position it held from the first, so no basis for an arbitration

meeting could be arranged. A statement was made by the Employers Association East yesterday in which it was said that reports from the Employers' Association West were to the effect that the Association west were running with shops in Milwaukee were running with two-thirds of their usual force, all non-union men, and that eastern lithographers were considering the question of employing non-union workmen. The statement

continued: The employers cannot afford to allow orders which will be placed during the next week for over \$1,000,000 in calendars to be sent abroad. Over \$600,000 of this money would be paid in wages.

So far, it was stated, 142 of the strikers 1.800 in number in this city, had signed the arbitration agreement individually.

STRIKERS START A ROW. Police Arrive Just in Time to Avert Roy Among Tinfoil Workers.

Only the prompt arrival of the police prevented a serious fight between union infoil workers and non-union men in front of the Conley Foil Company's plant at 521 West Twenty-fifth street yesterday afternoon. About two hundred union work men there went on strike on Saturday and their places were taken yesterday b

150 non-union men.

When the non-union men started home yesterday, Frank Bannon, a union picket, punched Frank Burns, a non-union man, in the face. Other pickets and about a thousand workmen from other factories ran up and a serious row was threatened. Capt. Handy of the West Twentieth street station arrived with a big squad of reserves in answer to a call sent by the two policemen at the factory and the crowd was driven Bannon and another union man, John Kegney, were arrested.

"MOTHER" JONES'S APPEAL. She Says John Mitchell Has Gone to Se Roosevelt in Her Behalf.

DENVER, Col., March 28 .- "Mother" Jones, he Pennsylvania labor agitator, who was deported from Trinidad by the military on Saturday night, has appealed to John Mitchell and says Mitchell has started for Washington to lay her case before the President, who will influence Gov. Peabody to allow her to return to Trinidad.

Meantime "Mother" Jones has gone to Gunnison county to encourage the strikers in the anthracite mines at Crested Butte, Secretary Haywood of the Western Federa-tion of Miners is to be arrested for desecra-

tion of the flag. The same charge was pre-ferred against President Moyer, who has been in jail at Telluride since Saturday, being unable to find bondsmen. Rise of Ten Per Cent. in Wages.

PATERSON, N. J., March 28 .- A 10 per cent, increase in the wages of the weavers of the silk firm of Johnson & Cowdin went into effect this morning. The firm has posted notices throughout the factory that another increase of 10 per cent. will be granted in three months if the condition of the trade shall warrant it.

BOER WAR SHOW TO GO ON. World's Fair Management Reissues Its Permit for the Exhibition.

ST. Louis, March 28 .- Notwithstanding the statement given out yesterday by Col. Watson, royal commissioner to the world's fair, that the English Government had made no protest against the Boer War exhibit on the fair grounds of the world's exhibition, it is said to-day that the protest of his Majesty's Government made through Ambassador Durand has been withdrawn

formally. A permit has been issued to the BoerWar Exhibition Company to hold their show on the site of ten acres originally allotted to the the site of ten acres originally allotted to the company by the world's fair management. On Saturday Capt. Lewis, formerly an officer in the English Army and general manager of the South African Boer War Exhibition Company, said that he had been notified formally that the permit granted for this exhibition had been revoked, owing to the protest of the British Government.

The ground of the protest was said to be that several of the battle scenes to be portrayed would place the English Army in a ridiculous light. He said that he would engage a plot of ground just outside the world's fair site and there give his exhibition.

hibition. The reissuing of the permit to-day closes the incident so far as the world's fair management is concerned, and work will begin on the site allotted to the Boer Exhibition Company to-morrow. Gen. Cronje, former Boer leader, is associated with Capt. Lewis in the enterprise.

DODGE WANTS TO MARRY. Georgia Widow Said to Have Been Sending Him Money.

HOUSTON, March 28 .- A new complication in the Dodge-Morse case has come to light. Charles F. Dodge, the dining car conductor, is engaged to marry a rich Georgia widow. At least a part of the mystery surrounding the famous case is a result of the determination on the part of the man now under bond at Houston to shield his future

The widow has not been in Houston since Dodge has been in custody, but upon two occasions women sent by her have visited the city. Both called upon Dodge in his chambers at the Rice Hotel. The first came in time to participate in arrangements for the attempted trip to Mexico. It was from her that a goodly portion of the money expended in this trip

was received.

Dodge does not intend to return to New York. He believes that he will not be forced to make the trip in custody of any officer and further that he will not be held on the periury charge. Detectives have officer and further that he will have on the perjury charge. Detectives have rooms next to his. When he plays the come delectives are in his wake. When be races, delectives are in his wake. When be travels about the city his shadows are not

The extraordinary expenditures on the and extraordinary expenditures on the part of the New York authorities seem to centre in the necessity of supplying with funds the numerous officers wintering in Texas. One of these officers went so far as to send for his family to join him in the

THE JUDGES PENSION BILL. Republican Senators Hold a Conference, but Adjourn Without Action.

ALBANY, March 28 .- At the request of fifteen of the twenty-nine Republican Senators, the majority members of the Senate held a conference to-night on the Judges' pension bill, with a view of having the caucus action against the Finch measure rescinded. The conference broke up, however, without action, although Senator Raines said the former caucus action, which directed the Senate Judiciary Committee not to report the Finch bill, still stood as the judgment of the majority of the Republi-

can Senators.

No vote was had at to-night's conference, lasts are angry. They say that they were working with Brooklyn laborers who received higher wages than the union rates in Manhattan, while Manhattan bricklayers have been working in Brooklyn with nonunion laborers since the strike.

The bricklayers who are against the strike say it is absolutely irregular and unauthorized. The executive committee of the unions has not indorsed it and it is an uncus decided against.

No vote was had at to-night's conference, which was attended by twenty-three Senators. A dozen Senators want to vote for the Judges' pension introduced by Senators. The Senators want to vote for the Judges' pension introduced by Senators Brackett. The Senators want to vote for the Judges' pension introduced by Senators. A dozen Senators want to vote for the Judges' pension introduced by Senators. The Senators want to vote for the Judges' pension introduced by Senators. A dozen Senators want to vote for the Judges' pension introduced by Senators Brackett. The Senate Judges' pension introduced by Sena

the Senate believe enough Republican Senators will vote with the Democrats to pass the Brackett bill, even though another attempt is not made to revise caucus action on the question, as six Republican Senators did not attend the original caucus and consequently are not bound by it.

TO RESTORE MARRIED TEACHER. Mr. Swanstrom Gets a Writ of Certiorari Against Board of Education.

Ex-Borough President Swanstrom obtained from Supreme Court Justice Keogh in Brooklyn yesterday a writ of certiorari commanding the Board of Education to make a return of all the proceedings taken in the dismissal on charges of "insubordination," of Mrs. Jennie L. Van De Water, who was a school teacher in Queens borough. The present proceeding, Mr. Swanstrom said, would settle for all time the power of the Board of Education practically to forbid

the Board of Education practically to forbid teachers to marry.

When the case of Mrs. Kate Murphy was pending before the Court of Appeals, she also having been dismissed because she married, Mr. Swanstrom says that the Board of Education, fearing that the court would decide in Mrs. Murphy's favor, passed a resolution that any schoolteacher who should marry should be guilty of insubordination.

subordination.

When the Court of Appeals decided in favor of Mrs. Murphy, the Board of Education refused to reinstate Mrs. Van De Water. It is said that by this act every individual member of the board is guilty of contempt of court Mrs. Symptom says he will try court. Mr. Swanstrom says he will try have the costs of court charged against the members of the board.

MUST REPLACE BURNERS. American Lighting Co. Still in Trouble in Jersey City.

Vice-Chancellor Pitney made an order in Jersey City yesterday compelling the American Lighting Company of Baltimore, which has the street gas lighting contract in that city, to replace all the burners belonging to the Public Service Corporation which i removed from the city's lamp posts.

Frank Bergen, counsel for the big trolley gas and electric corporation, said the com-pany couldn't tell how much of its gas the Baltimore concern was using with the latter's new patent burners.

The proceedings brought by the American Lighting Company to enjoin the Public Service Corporation from shutting off the supply of gas will come up in the Federal Service Corporation from shutting supply of gas will come up in the I District Court at Trenton on April 4.

ASPHALT PAVERS TAKE A HINT More Contracts Until They Get . Thel Contract Repairs Done.

Borough President Ahearn said yesterday that he called the asphalting contrac tors before him recently and told them that until they lived up to their existing contracts by repairing the breaks in the pavements they had laid, he would give out no more contracts. The result, Mr. Ahearn said, that the contractors now have hundred f men at work night and day mending broken pavements.

Abe Attell Gets Decision Over Herrera CHICAGO, March 28 .- Abe Attell of California received the decision over Aurelio Herrer at the conclusion of their six round bout before the American Athletic Club to-night The decision did not please the majority of the spectators, who thought a draw was the best Attell was entitled to.

Herrera forced all the fighting, but could not land a knockout blow, being always either too high or too low. Attell jabbed all through the fight, but refused to mix matters with the fight, but refused to



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BELLBOY KILLED BY ELEVATOR. Caught Between Car and Celling-Wood-

work Pried Away to Release Body. Isaac Gramberry, a bellboy at the Hotel Margaret, Brooklyn, was crushed to death while attempting to enter an elevator at the hotel late last night. Just as the elevator started to ascend from the first floor Gramberry dived into it head first. Before he could get all the way in, the elevator reached the second floor and Gramberry was caught between the floor of the elevator and the ceiling in such a way that he couldn't move. The elevator was jammed against the far side of the shaft so that it could be neither lifted nor lowered. Police Head-quarters was notified and a sergeant and

six policemen armed with crowbars came In a hurry.

They worked nearly three-quarters of an hour in an attempt to rescue Gramberry. Finally one of the hotel clerks pried away the framework of the shaft and the body was removed. Surgeon Adams of the n a hurry. Brooklyn Hospital pronounced the bellboy

dead.
While the police and hotel employees were at work a great many guests stood watching them. GANS WHIPS GARDNER. Gets Decision in Fast Ten Round Bout at

Saginaw.

Saginaw, Mich., March 28.—Joe Gans suc-cessfully defended his title of lightweight champion against Gus Gardner of Philadelphia before the Saginaw A. C., this city, to-night. The men met for ten rounds and Gans was the winner on points.

Gans did not have the easy thing he ex-

pected, but had to fight every inch to win. He landed often, but his blows did not have their old time vim and power behind them. Gardner, however, was outclassed, just the

their old time vim and power behind them. Gardner, however, was outclassed, just the same.

Long before the bout began every seat in the clubhouse was occupied. Gardner's fine work of late made many admirers for him and the betting was keen. Gans, of course, was the favorite at 10 to 6 on to win and even money was bet that Gardner would stay the limit. William Considine of Detroit was the referee. The weight was 135 pounds.

There was some delay before the encounter started. The men made a request to the management to place the purse money in the hands of some responsible party before they entered the ring. After some persuasion Gans agreed to proceed, Gardner, though, would not go on until he saw the money go up.

Matters were finally adjusted, however, and they shook hands at 10:30 o'clock. Gans was looked after by Al Herford and Frank Lavigne. Gardner's seconds were John Robinson and Billy St. Mary.

After sparring for an opening Gardner landed the left to the stomach and followed it up with a right to the head. Gans came back with the left on the jaw. It was nip and tuck after this till the bell sounded. In the second Gardner went after Gans and staggered him with a left counter on the jaw. He kept this work up, making Gans retreat under a volley of lefts and rights.

They mixed it up for dear life in the third. Although Gardner landed several times, his blows were too short to do much damage. Toward the close, however, he made the negre wince with a straight right under the heart.

For two rounds more Gardner held the upper hand and Gans's followers were much

For two rounds more Gardner held the upper hand and Gans's followers were much distressed. In the sixth Gans roused himself and by constant jabbing kept Gardner on the defensive. The pace was severe and both were tired. Gardner fought without judgment, while Gans was cool and calculating. Gardner was much refreshed in the seventh and he made up for lost ground.

In the eighth Gans took the lead by jabbing his man. The blows were stiff and Gardner wobbled. Just before the gong sounded Gans hit low and immediately apologized. The blow had no material effect.

The final two rounds were extremely interesting. Gardner went on to score a knockout, but Joe met him at every turn. He checked his rival with well-delivered jabs, although he had to take a number of wallops himself.

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which he had dug on his ranch, and 600
liead have died. An analysis of the water
shows that it is impregnated with poisonous
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